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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of ONE-MONTH to and including **June 24, 2002** in which to respond to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated April 24, 2002.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of **\$110.00** to Deposit Account No. 01-2508/13468.0002.NPUS00 for a ONE-MONTH extension. Should any additional fees be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/13468.0002.NPUS00.

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